

Benefiting Agencies 2009

Agencies that provide services and shelter for those suffering from homelessness in Bloomington are working hard to make a difference. 100% of the money raised from this year's walk will go directly to these agencies.

- Amethyst House
- Area 10 Agency on Aging
- Centerstone
- Community Kitchen
- Hoosier Hills Food Bank
- Martha's House
- Middle Way House
- Monroe County United Ministries
- Mother Hubbard's Cupboard
- Shalom Community Center
- Stepping Stones
- Youth Services Bureau of Monroe County



**Make supporting the
Homeward Bound
Walk a family event.**

**Families helping
families!**

It's not too early to register!

This year's Homeward Bound walk will take place on Sunday, April 19, 2009 in Third Street Park.

Come early to join in fun activities and entertainment beginning at NOON, followed by the walk at 2:00PM.

*Join Us at
Third Street Park!!!*

Noon-1:30 PM: Registration & Festivities

1:30 PM: Greetings

2:00 PM: Walk begins

3:30 PM: Walk ends, awards ceremony

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Indiana's 5K Walk to Provide Housing and Fight Homelessness

7th Annual Bloomington Walk
April 19, 2009

12:00PM | Third Street Park



**Small Steps Together
Toward a Bright Future**

www.homewardboundindiana.org

What is Homeward Bound?

Homeward Bound is a statewide fundraising walk sponsored locally by area social service providers. Funds raised by this annual event stay in Bloomington to help people experiencing homelessness with shelter, food and other emergency assistance needs.

Your Participation Counts!

Homeward Bound has raised over **\$2,500,000 statewide** for agencies that serve people experiencing homelessness.

Over **\$325,000 has been raised in Bloomington alone**. This money benefits those in our community who need it most.



"The state of homelessness does not discriminate, it can happen to anyone"

-Teresa Burkes, Homeward Bound Volunteer

Get involved!!



Walk:

Walk on your own or rally together your friends, family, neighbors, faith community, sports team, club, business, or corporation. Give yourselves a fun team name. See how much your team can raise, and then walk with us on **April 19, 2009!**

► Sign up on the web at:

www.homewardboundindiana.org

or Contact Brooke Gentile at: 812-355-6843



Donate:

Do you own or work for a business? Consider becoming an event sponsor. Homeward Bound offers an individually-tailored marketing and promotional opportunity for our sponsors. Last year's walk attracted more than 500 participants to Third Street Park and more than 1200 donors contributed. You can pledge your support to the entire event, a team, friend or family member.

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www.homewardboundindiana.org

or Contact Pam Kinnaman at: 812-334-5734



Volunteer:

Help will be needed leading up to, and on the day of, the event. If you're interested in donating your time to this effort, you can register at www.homewardboundindiana.org, by clicking on "Volunteer Registration," and completing the attached form.

Or Contact Emily Gorenz at 812-339-3429

Homelessness Facts

Did you know?

Our county's housing costs are among the highest in the state while our median income is among the lowest.

26%

■ Percent of Monroe County residents are experiencing poverty

6.9%

■ Percent growth in the amount of Monroe County residents in poverty from 2006 to 2007

151 KIDS

■ Number of homeless children in the Monroe County School District

89 hrs

■ Number of hours of work at minimum wage (\$6.55) that would be required per week to afford one the federal definition of affordable housing.



Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2007 American Community Survey; ICHHI; 2008 McKinney-Vento Act